

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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<b>Kevin FAULKNER et al.</b>	)	Group Art Unit: 2113
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Application No.: 10/787,321	)	Examiner: Elmira Mehrmansesh
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Filed: February 27, 2004	)	Confirmation No.: 4320
	)	
For: <b>SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR</b>	)	
<b>PERFORMING QUIESCENCE IN</b>	)	
<b>A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION</b>	)	
<b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	)	

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In reply to the Office Action dated September 29, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are included in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are included in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow on page 9 of this paper.